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22 January 1985

Mr. Kenneth M. Gordon Rocky Mountain Forum 1741 High Street Denver, Colorado 80218

Dear Mr. Gordon:

Thank you for inviting CIA Director William J. Casey to address the Rocky Mountain Forum Conference on National Security in the Nuclear Age on April 12th and 13th in Denver.

Mr. Casey has asked me to extend his regrets. Due to tentative travel plans and a full schedule of official duties, he must decline the honor. As my staff member mentioned on the phone, we do not have anyone in your area available to speak at the Conference. I am sorry we are unable to accommodate you.

Sincerely,

George V. Lauder

Director of Public Affairs

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

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George V. Lauder

Director, Public Affairs Office

SUBJECT:

Invitation to Address the Rocky Mountain Forum

on Security in the Nuclear Age

- 1. Action Requested: Accept or decline an invitation to address the Rocky Mountain Forum Conference on National Security in the Nuclear Age on 12 and 13 April in Denver, Colorado.
- 2. Background: Director of the Rocky Mountain Forum Kenneth M. Gordon has invited you to speak at their Conference on National Security in the Nuclear Age. April's Conference will cover three topics: "U.S.-Soviet Relations: What is the Problem?"; "Ways to Achieve Meaningful Security in the Nuclear Age"; and "The Economic and Social Consequences of the Arms Race." You are asked to address the group in a full session. Since there is no admission charge, you could expect an audience of approximately 1,000 people. The media will be present and possibly foreign nationals. Last year their first Conference on "Crisis in Central America" held at the Executive Tower Inn in downtown Denver drew a diverse crowd of over 1,000 people. Participants included Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, Nestor D. Sanchez; Nicaraguan Consul for Political Affairs to the U.S., Francisco Campbell; William LeoGrande of American University and Roger Hilsman of Columbia University. (See brochure opposite for further information.)
  - o The Rocky Mountain Forum Conference is sponsored by the Mayor of Denver Federico Pena, Congresswoman Patricia Schroeder (D, CO), other members of the Colorado Congressional delegation, area colleges, and The League of Women Voters. According to Mr. Gordon, the Forum is a non-partisan, non-profit organization created to promote informed public discussion on issues of United States foreign policy. Our library was unable to find any reference to this organization or their Conference.



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3. Recommendation: Decline. Since this is an open meeting, you could expect an unpredictable audience as well as media coverage. The Conference appears to be an inappropriate forum for you to address.

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George ▼. Lauder

ACCEPT:

Director of Central Intelligence

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William Casey Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20905

Dear Mr. Casey:

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The Rocky Mountain Forum is holding a conference on National Security in the Nuclear Age on April 12 and 13, 1985, in Denver, Colorado. The conference is being sponsored by the Mayor of Denver, Federico Pena, Denver's Congresswoman, Patricia Schroeder, other members of the Colorado Congressional delegation, area colleges, The League of Women Voters and other prominent Colorado organizations and people. We are writing to ask whether we may consider you as a possible participant.

The Rocky Mountain Forum is a non-partisan, non-profit organization created to promote informed public discussion on issues of United States foreign policy. Our first conference, entitled "Crisis in Central America," was held in February of this year. Conferees included Nestor D. Sanchez, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense; Francisco Campbell, Consul for Political Affairs at the Nicaraguan Embassy to the United States; William LeoGrande of the American University and Roger Hilsman of Columbia University. The conference, held in downtown Denver, was a tremendous success, attracting a diverse crowd of over one thousand people for an evening and full day of discussion and debate. There has never been another conference on foreign policy of this scope and magnitude in Denver. Enclosed is a brochure from that conference.

In next April's conference, we will cover three topics: U.S.-Soviet Relations: What is the Problem?; Ways to Achieve Meaningful Security in the Nuclear Age; and The Economic and Social Consequences of the Arms Race. We intend to have two speakers offering opposing views of each topic followed by discussion. Our goal is to broaden the debate from a discussion of numbers to include the philosophy of defense.

If we may consider you as a potential speaker, please write, send us your curriculum vitae and tell us your requirements. If you cannot attend, we would appreciate suggestions of other qualified speakers. Please call the above office if you have any questions about our program or logistics.

Very truly yours,

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Kenneth M. Gordon

